

BUMPER • ANNOUNCEMENTS [THINGS ARE NOT IMPROVING • PRIMARILY LIVE STREAM] • PRAY

Three Central Words for Believers:

Our Heavenly Dad

HEAVENLY = SOVEREIGN, AWESOME, WORTHY • ADOPTION

We are Adopted

EPHESIANS 1:4-5 • ILL: WE ADOPTED A DOG • CHOSE • NAMED • SACRIFICED • HE HAD TO LEARN WE DID A LOT • HE DID A LITTLE

1. We are not naturally God's children.

John 1:11-13

For God to be my Father, I must **RECEIVE JESUS**.

John 8:42-44

If God is not my Father, I C A N N O T receive Jesus.

WHAT'S THE SOLUTION? ADOPTION!

2. Our Heavenly Father adopts.

Ephesians 1:4-5

Romans 9:1-8, 15-16

BEING BORN INTO ISRAEL IS NOT ENOUGH

God, in his mercy, **CHOOSES** those he will **ADOPT**.

DA: BUT THAT'S NOT FAIR! •• JOHN 8:42

If you love Jesus, it's because you have been **A D O P T E D**.

SO WHAT SHOULD I DO? • TRANSITION: ROMANS 8:12-17

3. We can't EARN it; we need to LEARN it.

ILL: SCOOTER. WE PICKED HIM, WE PICKED HIM UP, HE WAGGED • NOT EARN, BUT LEARN

Take it Home

1 John 3:1-3

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